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GOVERNOR

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# PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, disease of the heart and blood vessels constitutes our nation's most important medical and public health problem in that it affects more persons than any other disease and leads all others as a cause of death; and

WHEREAS, in this period of mobilization, cardiovascular diseases constitute a major threat to our national manpower reserve and to the health and efficiency of our productive labor force; and

WHEREAS, the week including February 14th each year is sponsored by the American Heart Association and its affiliate the South Dakota Heart Association, as American Heart Week for the purpose of focusing public attention on the medical, social and economic aspects of this primary health problem, and of reminding the nation that solution depends upon the fullest cooperation of the people, science, government, and health and welfare agencies:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sigurd Anderson, Governor of South Dakota, do hereby order that the week beginning February 10, 1952, be observed in the State of South Dakota as

## AMERICAN HEART WEEK

and I call upon all schools, churches, scientific bodies, civic associations, business establishments, and other organizations and the people of the State of South Dakota generally, to observe this American Heart Week with appropriate activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota to be affixed this 9th day of February, 1952.

Sigurd Anderson  
Governor

ATTEST:

Geraldine Ostroot  
Secretary of State

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